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WESTERN UNION PRESS MESSAGE

W. P. MARSHALL, PRESIDENT

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npr collect to chicago daily news chicago, ill.

coffey filing

note to desk: impossible get phone line out of here;

hence using this. following material is to finish up

~~what~~ what i told sullivan for first person story *he was writing.*

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student mob got progressively meaner, as if trying to
outdo each other. began tossing cigaret butts at
feet of marshals, then three students showed up in
~~confederate~~ confederate ~~uniforms~~ uniforms. confederate flags
began ~~showing~~ showing up.

~~less~~ less than half the mob was taking part in the
shouting, cursing and shoving. but ~~in~~
in all the time I was in the crowd, I heard only
one voice of reason.

one student said to another: "Let's go eat and
listen to this on the radio and not get shot at."

the mob of 2,500 is about half the enrollment
here.

~~one young~~ ~~married~~ married couple, apparently
students, was in the crowd with the husband holding
in his arms a very young baby.

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add one coffee filing

Each time a state
~~each time a state~~ highway police car rolled up to the building, the students would cheer.

~~xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx~~

they shouted at the marshalls such things as "how would ~~like~~ you like to have a nigger son-in-law?" and "how do you like ~~for~~ working for a nigger?"

the marshalls were extremely well-disciplined. they made no move toward the students, some on the back side of the building where the mob was thinner even chatted with students.

mostly they ~~xxx~~ reacted to the abuse with grim smiles.

finally, after I ~~xxx~~ had been in the crowd for about an hour and a half, the state police permitted the reporters and photogrpahers at the main entrance to enter the campus.

It was then the violence began. A Dallas, T_ex. ~~xx~~ tv cameraman, Gordon Yoder, moved ~~xxx~~ into the crowd with his camera and immediately shouts went up to "send the yankee out of here". students began closing in on yoder, ~~xxxxxxxx~~ jostling him.

the state police surrounded him and ~~disregard~~ ~~xxxxxx~~ pushed him

and shoved their way through the crowd to yoder's car about 50 yards away. *as the students yelled "get a rope."*

they shoved him in the back seat, his wife was at the steering wheel. the state police then made almost no attempt to ~~prey~~ restrain the students as they kicked in the headlights and every window in the car. Then they kicked and pounded in its roof and *sides* ~~side~~ *more*

W. P. MARSHALL, PRESIDENT

end this and hope you can make something of it. coffey